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Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation San Francisco Regional Office Director John F. Carter 25 Jessie Street at Ecker Square, Suite 2300 San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Director Carter:

As president of a small, independent bank, I am very concerned about the recent application by Wal-Mart for federal deposit insurance on an ILC charter in Utah.

This charter could enable Wal-Mart to launch a nationwide banking network, effectively destroying small community banks. If this were to happen, small retailers would be forced to use their largest competitor for deposits and loans - a scary thought.

Wal-Mart should not be allowed to mix business and commerce. Please vote against insurance for the Utah ILC charter.

Sincerely,

Ann Hall, President

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